

Adopts the Recommendation on dissemination of information, charting and manning of drilling rigs and production platforms, the text of which appears in the Annex to this Resolution,

Invites all governments concerned to take steps to implement the Recommendation.

ANNEX

RECOMMENDATION ON DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION, CHARTING AND MANNING OF DRILLING RIGS AND PRODUCTION PLATFORMS

Dissemination of Information and Charting

The State licensing a platform's location should be responsible for issuing Notices to Mariners, containing information on the existence and location as well as on subsequent movement of platforms. The same State should also issue radio warnings, if it is considered necessary, as a quicker method of informing mariners. The marking of individual platforms on charts is considered desirable; it is, however, recognized that this is not practicable in areas where such platforms exist in great density, or where they are frequently moved and relocated; in such cases warning notes should appear on the chart indicating the affected area. It was pointed out that on many occasions hydrographic services do not receive sufficient or early information concerning the installation of platforms; it is recommended that the authorities responsible for issuing the appropriate concessions should inform the hydrographic services as early as possible. In the event of the State concerned having no requisite authorities for charting or issuing Notices to Mariners and/or radio warnings, it should advise one or more of the States which issue such information on a world-wide basis, e.g. the Federal Republic of Germany, France, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, the United Kingdom and the United States of America.

Manning

On board manned platforms there is, in principle, a need for a nucleus of crew responsible for tasks related to any necessary seamanship, and usual duties related to safety. In view, however, of the diversity of types of platforms, and in the absence so far of any standards established or experience in this matter, the details of manning and organization, for the time being, should be left to the discretion of Administrations.

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RESOLUTION A.181(VI)

INSTRUCTIONS ON SURVIVAL IN LIFERAFTS

The Assembly,

Noting Article 16(i) of the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly,

Considering the need for instructions on immediate action to be taken as soon as the liferaft is entered as well as on how to survive in the liferaft,

Taking into account the usefulness of international uniformity for this purpose,

Taking further into account Regulation 17(a)(xix), Chapter III of the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1960,

Having considered the Report of the nineteenth session of the Maritime Safety Committee,

Decides to recommend that Administrations satisfy themselves that the instructions required by the above-mentioned Regulation include:

- (a) brief instructions concerning immediate action upon entering the liferaft, written in easily legible type on waterproof material and displayed so as to be immediately seen by a person entering the liferaft, in one of the official languages of the Organization in addition to the official language of the country, as shown in Attachment A to this Resolution;
- (b) more detailed instructions on how to survive in the liferaft, the contents of which appear in Attachment B to this Resolution.

ATTACHMENT A

Immediate action upon entering the liferaft

1. GET AWAY FROM THE SINKING SHIP
2. LOOK FOR AND GATHER OTHER SURVIVORS
3. CHECK THE PROPER FUNCTIONING OF THE LIFERAFT
4. OPEN KIT AND READ INSTRUCTIONS ON SURVIVAL

ATTACHMENT B

Additional instructions for survival

1. FIRST AID
2. GATHERING OF SURVIVAL CRAFT
3. DRYING LIFERAFT, INFLATION OF THE FLOOR (WHERE APPLICABLE)
4. USE OF THE SEA ANCHOR
5. ADJUSTMENT OF DOORWAY CLOSING AND CHECKING OF THE TOP SIGNAL LAMP
6. APPOINTMENT OF THE PERSON TO BE IN CHARGE
7. PREPARATION OF AND PUTTING INTO ACTION, IF NECESSARY, THE SIGNALLING DEVICES AND/OR RADIOCOMMUNICATION APPARATUS

8. ADVICE FOR THE PERSON IN CHARGE ON
 - (a) watch arrangements;
 - (b) survival protection against cold or heat;
 - (c) water and food rationing, collection of rainwater;
 - (d) instruction on "do's and don'ts" for survival.
9. LIFERAFT'S ROUTINE MAINTENANCE
10. ACTION ON ARRIVAL OF RESCUE UNITS
11. PREPARATION FOR BEING TAKEN IN TOW
12. RESCUE BY HELICOPTER
13. APPROACHING LAND AND BEACHING LIFERAFT
14. SKETCH SHOWING THE MAIN FEATURES OF THE LIFERAFT, HOLE PLUGGING, ETC.

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RESOLUTION A.182(VI)

SAFETY RADIOCOMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR
DRILLING AND PRODUCTION PLATFORMS AND
SIMILAR UNITS

The Assembly,

Noting Article 16(i) of the Convention on the Inter-Governmental Maritime Consultative Organization concerning the functions of the Assembly,

Considering the need to improve safety of operations at sea and with a view to achieving uniformity of requirements for platforms and units mentioned above,

Having considered the Report of the nineteenth session of the Maritime Safety Committee,

Decides to recommend to Member Governments that:

- (a) where there is a need for maritime mobile safety radiocommunications with ships and coast stations, drilling and production platforms and similar units should be fitted with maritime installations for one of the existing systems (500 and 2182 kHz) or, if adequate, with VHF - Channel 16 (156.8 MHz);
- (b) additional radio equipment should be provided, depending on various factors, for communications with e.g. helicopters and drilling company land installations;